

**REMARKS****Double Patenting**

Claims 17-27 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-16 of U.S. Patent No. 6,697,476. Applicant hereby submits a terminal disclaimer to obviate the rejection.

**Rejection Under 37 U.S.C. §103**

Claim 17 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Salesky et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,343,313) in view of Kao (U.S. Patent No. 4,998,243).

In view of facilitating the prosecution of the present application, Applicant has canceled claim 17. Applicant submits that all of the pending claims are allowable, and respectfully requests that a Notice of Allowance be issued for these claims.

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